

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Gary C. Hoge

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☐ This communication is responsive to _____.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-9, 11-31, 33-38, 40 and 41.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is required in order to make an examiner's amendment which places this application in condition for allowance. During a telephone conversation conducted on September 27, 2007, David Thompson requested an extension of time for 1 MONTH(S) and authorized the Director to charge Deposit Account No. 12-0769 the required fee of \$120 for this extension and authorized the following examiner's amendment. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

--1. (Currently Amended) A computing device, comprising:
a portable computer; ~~and~~
a deployable label base, attached to the portable computer, and configured to display labels associated with the portable computer; and
a theft deterrent configured to render the portable computing device inoperable if the deployable label base is removed from the portable computing device;

wherein the deployable label base is configured for movement between a first position and a second position, the labels being viewable in the first position and in the second position at least some of the labels are slid into the ~~portable computer~~computing device, thereby concealing them from view.--

Claim 10 has been cancelled.

--14. (Currently Amended) A label display system, comprising:

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a deployable label base configured to display required labels for an electronic device; ~~and~~
the deployable label base configured for movement between a first position and a second position, wherein within the first position the labels are viewable and in the second position at least some of the labels are slid into the electronic device, thereby concealing them from ~~view~~
~~view~~; and

a theft deterrent configured to render the portable computing device inoperable if the deployable label base is removed from the portable computing device.--

--21. (Currently Amended) A label display system, comprising:
a deployable label base configured to display required labels for an electronic device; ~~and~~
the deployable label base configured for movement between a first position and a second position, the labels being viewable in the first position and at least some of the labels being concealed from view in the second position; and

a theft deterrent configured to render the portable computing device inoperable if the deployable label base is removed from the portable computing device;

wherein the deployable label base is flexible.--

--25. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:
attaching labels for a portable computing device to a deployable label base;
moving the deployable label base ~~being moveable~~ between a first position and a second position, wherein the labels are viewable in the first position and in the second position at least some of the labels are slid into the portable computing device, thereby concealing them from ~~view~~; view; and

rendering the portable computing device inoperable if the deployable label base is removed from the portable computing device.--

Claim 32 has been cancelled.

--35. (Previously Presented) A method, comprising:

displaying required labels for an electronic device on a deployable label base;

moving the deployable label base being moveable between a first position and a second position, wherein the required labels are displayed in the first position and in the second position at least some of the required labels are slid into the electronic device, thereby concealing them from display; and

rendering the portable computing device inoperable if the deployable label base is removed from the portable computing device.--

Claim 39 has been cancelled.

2. Claims 1, 14, 25 and 35 are allowable. Claims 9, 11-13, 22-24, 33, 34, 40 and 41, previously withdrawn from consideration as a result of a restriction requirement, contain all the limitations of an allowable claim. Pursuant to the procedures set forth in MPEP § 821.04(a), **the restriction requirement as set forth in the Office action mailed on August 23, 2006, is hereby withdrawn** and claims 9, 11-13, 22-24, 33, 34, 40 and 41 are hereby rejoined and fully examined for patentability under 37 CFR 1.104. In view of the withdrawal of the restriction requirement, applicant(s) are advised that if any claim presented in a continuation or divisional application is anticipated by, or includes all the limitations of, a claim that is allowable in the present application, such claim may be subject to provisional statutory and/or nonstatutory double patenting rejections over the claims of the instant application. Once the restriction

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requirement is withdrawn, the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 121 are no longer applicable. See *In re Ziegler*, 443 F.2d 1211, 1215, 170 USPQ 129, 131-32 (CCPA 1971). See also MPEP § 804.01.

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gary C. Hoge whose telephone number is (571) 272-6645. The examiner can normally be reached on 5-4-9.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lesley Morris can be reached on (571) 272-6651. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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